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PORTE STILL STUBBORNLY HOLDING OUT WAVES KEEP FREAR FROM XMAS DINNER

Big Billows Off Midway Island Prove Jailors For Governor And His Attorney General. Midwayans Much Disappointed

Governor Frear and Retiring Attorney General Lindsay arrived off Midway Island yesterday morning, but they missed the big Christmas dinner prepared in their honor. It is quite likely, however, that the bird, said to be the largest specimen found on Midway or in the waters around that island will be warmed over for their benefit today.

A cablegram from Operator Morrison, of Midway, arrived here yesterday announcing that the Thetis arrived off the coast at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The sea was so rough that no attempt was made to land then, and the vessel drew away, returning again in the afternoon, when boats were lowered and a desperate effort made to reach the shore.

This proved a failure and the Governor and his party, doubtless, considerably "peevish," were forced to return to the ship, which sailed away again into the approaching darkness.

But another attempt was to be made this morning, and as the surf apparently was subsiding last night, a safe landing was predicted.

It is thought here that the scientists bound for Laysan are still aboard, and will participate in the belated Christmas celebration at Midway today. The denizens of that island had prepared a big reception and entertainment for the distinguished party, in which every inhabitant of Midway was expected to take part.

It is also thought that the delay of twenty-four hours will only serve to increase the joy of Judge Lindsay and his companions on reaching terra firma again. Evidently the sailing of the last few days has not been of the smoothest.

BLUE SKY SMILES ON CHRISTMAS IN HONOLULU NEI

Everybody and everything chipped in to aid Honolulu's Christmas. Kamehameha and Malheur, as well as the tourists, smiled because it was Christmas and because the sun, recognizing the demands of the season, beamed blissfully most of the day. And the best of it all was that the big Christmas Eve Carnival passed off, leaving no bad taste for the celebrators. Thanks in some measure to the efforts of the police under Sheriff Jarrett, the big crowds that assembled soon after nightfall, were orderly. A few boys, full of the ginger of youth, got into trouble and the officials had to arrest them for shooting off firecrackers, but that was all.

In Bishop square, where the novel features of the night before Christmas celebration were to be seen, the band, under the direction of Bandmaster

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Mrs. Sarah Ann Ross has just died at Philadelphia. She was the mother of Charlie Ross, who was kidnapped 38 years ago, and of whom no trace has ever been found despite the efforts of detectives throughout America and Europe.

Twenty-three Americans will receive approximately \$86,000 from the Mexican government for injuries received while Mexican battles were raging close to the boundary line and stray bullets hit people in American territory.

W. W. Dickey, former commissary steward of the battleship Louisiana, who was arrested for grafting in his position, has been sentenced to five years at hard labor.

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GEOLOGIST RAPS USE OF DIVINING ROD AS A 'FAKE'

Head of U. S. Survey Here Declares That Science Has No Patience with Methods Employed by Rev. Mr. Mason, Now in Hawaii—Calls Them Menace to Community

That men who claim, as does the Rev. Mr. H. Mason, now on the island of Lanai, seeking fresh sources of water supply, to discover underground water by means of the divining rod, or through any mysterious gift, are raw fakes and as such are a menace to the community in which they operate is the opinion of C. G. K. Harrison, head of the United States Geological Survey in this territory. In an interview this morning Mr. Harrison said:

"You can say for me and for the United States Geological Survey, which has had considerable experience in hunting for underground water all over the continent and in the territories, that any man who claims, by some peculiar instrument or feeling that he can find underground water is an unqualified fake."

"The divining rod is a fake pure and simple, and it is little less than absurd to find men, business men, supposedly aided with brains enough to administer large business affairs, putting their trust in such men and contrivances. The fallacy of the divining rod has been proven so many times that it is hardly worth while to attack it again, were it not for the presence on Lanai of this man Mason."

Have Nose For Water
"Let me explain. There are men who through long years of experience in connection with finding and developing underground water supplies have naturally acquired an aptitude, or 'nose' for water. In the vast majority of cases underground water is found in certain topographical and geological conditions. These conditions have been noted for many years and a man familiar with them naturally will size up a locality in which underground water may be found, more quickly than an untrained man."

"It is possible that some of these 'water witches,' men with this experience are self-deceived. Indeed I believe in a large number of instances they size up localities and make their finds unconsciously using the experience they have acquired. It is quite likely that Mr. Mason is a case in point."

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CHAMP. 'DUKE' RESCUES MAIDEN FROM WILD WAVES

Once again Duke Kahananiolu, champion swimmer of Hawaii, has placed himself among the ranks of the lifesavers, but as Hawaii is not a part of the United States, as the head of the Carnegie Hero fund is reported to have ruled, he is not in line for a Carnegie medal.

It happened this way. Yesterday afternoon Duke was loitering on the beach at the Outrigger Club, watching a boy of maidens disporting in the surf about a hundred yards from the shore. Suddenly his attention was attracted by screams which came from their direction, and as he looked closer, he saw one of them apparently going down for the last time, while her friends called frantically for help.

Diving into the water, Duke broke another record and swam to the place where the girl had gone down, pulled her up above the surface, and started for shore. The girl was apparently unharmed except for a few mouthfuls of water, and it was afterwards learned that she had stepped in a hole where the water was considerably over her head. The name of the young lady who was the rescued was not learned, but it is understood that she is a teacher in the Normal School.

A POWER IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEXICO



ARMY PLANNING TO FORTIFY BIG SCHOFIELD POST

Pick and Shovel Soon to Be Busy Out on the Plains Near the Barracks—Work Is to Be Done by the Boys in Khaki Themselves—The Entrenchments to Be Semi-Permanent

The defenses of Oahu, now the watchword of the army, are to be further strengthened in the near future. This time, however, no "brain trust" board will deliberate on ways and means; no "Machuss" in the national capitol will thumb over voluminous reports and formulate orders. The work is to be done right here on the island, by the boys in khaki themselves, with no more military formalities than is necessary in handling a pick and shovel.

Semi-permanent fortifications are to be thrown up on the east bank of the Kaukonahua gulch. The work is to be commenced within a few days by the two battalions of the Second Infantry stationed at Schofield Barracks, and before long the gulch will bristle with serviceable trenches and rifle pits, protected by earthworks and sand-bag revetments. This point would be one of the first lines of defense of Schofield Barracks, in the event of an invader winning the high ground just west of the gulch, where

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PENITENTS SAY SIN NO MORE

The dove of peace and good will finally found a safe resting place in the central police station building. The victims of misapprehension in the case of a girl named Yule, who was charged in the majority as the culprit, were this morning on the morning after Christmas.

There was a time late Tuesday evening and during the early watches of Christmas night, when the demand for accommodation at the receiving station resembled the scramble of tourists at downtown hotels during the carnival season.

Forty persons, of high and low degree were gathered in by the combined forces under the command of Sheriff Jarrett. As Christmas dawned and the morning wore along, old man R. L. Morse dropped around to the police station. He shot hands with a sad-eyed bunch of penitents.

Those who had been snatched from the crowd of revelers because of too plentiful indulgence in the nut brown fluid of good cheer were released upon vowing a solemn promise that the experience would not be repeated—that is, until another Christmas.

Christmas Day, however, turned out to be one fruitful of considerable activity for police officers, despite the general season of rejoicing of the night before. A score of offenders against the public laws and decency were corralled during the several watches.

Judge Monsarrat and the prosecuting officers were regaled with a

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HENRY W. TAFT, brother of President Taft, and one of the most important figures in financial and industrial interests of the southern republic. He, above all others, is the man President Madero is most concerned about.

Norman B. Smith Turns Up Once More

Norman B. Smith is back again. Debonairly as of yore and not a bit changed in appearance from the day before election when he seemingly vanished from the face of the earth, the alleged opium smuggler, escorted by Lily Smith, now Honolulu, stroled into the office of the U. S. marshal early this morning and gave himself up, announcing he was ready to stand trial on the charges of smuggling and violating the Edmunds Act.

To U. S. District Attorney Beckers, with whom he held a long conversation, Smith declared his willingness to enter a plea of guilty to the opium smuggling charges. He said he was ready to go back to jail, that he had no intention of trying to raise a bail bond again, and that he expects to stay in confinement until his case is tried.

He was taken before Judge Dole in chambers, however, and now had a trial, at \$1500, on the smuggling charge, and soon on the adultery charge.

While Smith has been hiding is alleged to be a mystery. Beckers professes deep ignorance of that detail of the story. Smith, who according to a Star-Bulletin representative this morning replied:

"I can't talk about it. See Beckers, he knows more about me than I myself do."

The district attorney took an extended journey to Kauai last week, remaining there several days. The nature of his business, he said, was official, but could not be disclosed at this time. It was noticed, too, that Lily-Hookano-Smith, detained by federal authorities since Smith's disappearance, was released the day be

SENDS COUNTER TERMS TO PEACE CONFERENCE

COTTRILL LIKED BY DEMOCRATS; MAY STAY

Charles A. Cottrill, U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue for the Territory and a life-long and prominent Republican, is not likely to be disturbed in office by local Democrats when a change in national administration affords an opportunity of getting busy with the federal patronage. Such at least is the report that comes from discussions of the past few days among prominent Democrats of the islands who have been talking over the future of Federal office-holders here.

Collector Cottrill is declared to be favored for retention by the dominant Democratic element, and it was stated today by a man in a position to know that Cottrill is well liked by the businessmen of the islands generally.

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SAM LANGFORD IS EASY WINNER OF BOUT WITH McVEA

(Associated Press Cable)

SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 26.—Sam Langford beat down the defense put up by Sam McVea here today and was returned an easy winner in the long-heralded bout between this pair of heavy negro pugs. An enormous crowd turned out to witness the scrap.

Langford won by the knockout route. It was drawing toward the close of the thirteenth round of milling when the final blow was struck. McVea reeled toward the ropes, fell at full length and was counted out. Langford walked quietly to his corner and was led to the referee to raise his hand in token of victory.

It was Langford's fight from the start. In the fourth round he floored his long-time rival with a vicious upper cut to the chin that seemed to take all the ginger out of McVea, who weakened perceptibly thereafter.

Adrianople Still Remains The Bone Of Contention Over Which Plenipotentiaries Continue to Squabble. Austria's Attitude Causes Uneasiness In Balkans.

(Associated Press Cable)

LONDON, Dec. 26.—With the sessions of the peace conference still adjourned pending the end of the holidays it became known here today that the Sublime Porte is holding out tenaciously against the terms proposed by the Allies just prior to the adjournment. The demand of the Allies for the relinquishment of the city of Adrianople is believed to be the chief trouble in the settlement between the warring powers. The Turkish plenipotentiaries are holding out against that, and it is said here that they have received secret instructions from Constantinople on no account to accede to this feature of the terms. On the other hand the Porte is said to have cabled secret instructions to its envoys here, giving them a set of terms to which he is willing to yield. These terms, it is reported, do not contain provisions for the evacuation of Adrianople, nor do they mention the matter of indemnity.

Still another matter that is causing the Balkan pot to bubble uneasily, is the fact that, although she has approved of Serbia's concessions, she has so far failed to discontinue the mobilization of her forces on the Servian frontier, and the massing of troops near Belgrade continues.

DYNAMITE CASES ARE NOW IN THE HANDS OF JURY

(Associated Press Cable)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 26.—The cases of the labor leaders accused of having transported dynamite across the continent, and of having participated in various ways in the dynamite outrages that for the last five years have shocked the nation, went to the jury this morning. It is expected that that body will have difficulty in deciding the cases, as there are many defendants and the cases are extremely complicated. The Government attorneys are confident of victory.

laws of the United States. The case will probably be carried to the United States Supreme Court, as the company lawyers say that they are prepared to fight to the limit. They have not as yet filed a reply.

ARMY WOMEN CAN'T STAY AT FORT KAMEHAMEHA NOW

That the Seventy-fifth Company of Coast Artillery, which has been ordered to Fort Kamehameha, on arrival from the Coast on the next transport, will be fairly comfortable in camp here, was established by a careful examination of that reservation, made last Tuesday by Lieutenant Colonel Campbell and Majors Wooten and Conklin. There is good ground, slightly raised, near the gun battery, and his provides ample space for one company to pitch its tents, there being quarters in the battery itself which could be used by the officers.

However, while the officers and enlisted men can shift for themselves fairly well under the existing conditions, there is absolutely no provision at Kamehameha for any women, and if any of the officers of the company are family men, their wives and children will probably have to be quartered in the city.

No preparations are being made at Fort Ruger for the reception of the two additional companies, for the reason that no official word has been received as to their coming. Major Timberlake, however, has received a personal letter from one of the officers, saying that he was ordered to Ruger, and the war department or division order is looked for by the next mail. What to do with the troops is a problem, for there is no available camp site except the parade ground, and to have men in camp directly in front of the officers' line would be highly objectionable. It has been suggested that the two new companies be camped inside the Diamond Head crater, and while this would be more like imprisonment than barracks life, there is a possibility that it will be done.